Service Marine of the Year, and thank him for his bravery on the battlefield. He truly exemplifies the courageous service of our men and women in uniform, and especially our United States Marines.

EXTENDING AUTHORIZATION OF DELAWARE WATER GAP NATIONAL RECREATION AREA CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMISSION

SPEECH OF

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 29, 2008

Mr. GARRETT. Madam Speaker, I am pleased that the House recently considered and unanimously consented to the passage of H.R. 7017, a bill to reauthorize the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area (DWGNRA) Citizens Advisory Commission (CAC) for an additional year. Both Representative CARNEY and I believe that this citizen action group serves as an important liaison between National Park Service Officials and park neighbors.

Communication is the key to addressing and resolving citizen concerns, and it is clear that residents and park users value the opportunity to respond to DWGNRA decisions and propose alternative ideas. I was proud to introduce this bipartisan legislation and I believe it will improve the communication process between park officials and the local community. The citizens of New Jersey should be confident in the ability of the Federal Government to hear and address their suggestions.

The Delaware Water Gap region has a turbulent history, one marked by improper government interference and Federal invasion of the rights of property owners. Realizing this, my predecessor, Representative Marge Roukama, authored legislation establishing a Citizen's Advisory Commission (CAC) in 1988. The CAC was reauthorized for an additional decade in 1998 and has served as a forum for the public to interact with park officials.

Due to the combined efforts of various Commission members and park officials, the Delaware Water Gap NRA has increased in popularity and sees millions of visitors each year. These visitors enjoy the beauty of the scenery and the opportunity to participate in activities like hiking, canoeing, and swimming. I am confident that the CAC will continue to play a valuable role in preserving the splendor of the Delaware Water Gap for future generations.

The ability of local residents to communicate with Federal agencies has been one of my main focuses and I call upon the Senate to follow the House's example and pass this important legislation.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 3, 2008

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the new Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW.

Bill Number: H.R. 2368—Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army.

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Florida State University, FSU.

Address of Receiving Entity: 211 Westcott Bldg. Tallahassee, FL 32306.

Description of Request: I have secured $2,400,000 in funding in H.R. 2368 in the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army account for Nanotubes Optimized for Lightweight Exceptional Strength, NOLES, project.

This project partners the Army Research Lab, five top U.S. defense companies and FSU's team of multi-disciplinary faculty and students to continue developing unique design, characterization and rapid prototyping capabilities in the field of nano-composite research. This research aims to make advances necessary in vital defense applications.

The U.S. Army's objective of developing effective personnel protection and ligher, stronger fleet of fighting vehicles may be achieved through nanotube research.

Department of Defense projects are always 100 percent funded by the U.S. Federal Government so there is no opportunity for matching funds.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW.

Bill Number: H.R. 2368—Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army.

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: University of North Florida.

Address of Receiving Entity: 1 UNF Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32224.

Description of Request: I have secured $800,000 in funding in H.R. 2368 in the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army account for the Direct Methanol Fuel Cell Development.

DMFC devices offer higher energy density, reduced weight, and extended run-time compared to conventional battery alternatives. The proposed project will develop, demonstrate and prototype a ruggedized DMFC powered laptop power supply. Leveraging advances in academic research, membrane development, and systems integration, a team comprised of the University of North Florida, UNF, PolyFuel and University of Florida, UF, will partner to develop a Direct Methanol Fuel Cell battery.

Network Centric operations demand longer run-time from laptop computers and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance systems. Mobile electronic devices require increased run-time and operational flexibility to leverage the benefits of wireless operation, streaming video, and voice-data exchange.

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Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW.

Bill Number: H.R. 2368—Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army.

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Nanotherapeutics.

Address of Receiving Entity: 13859 Progress Blvd., Alachua, FL 32615.

Description of Request: I have secured $1,200,000 in funding in H.R. 2368 in the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army account for the Accelerating Treatment for Trauma Wounds project.

The project goal is to evaluate doxycycline gel for its ability to expedite healing of open wounds among injured U.S. Army soldiers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center when used in conjunction with other good wound care practices. Orally-taken doxcycline has been approved and marketed for decades for treatment of infections caused by susceptible microorganisms. When used in conjunction with, and not a substitute for, good wound care practices including wound cleaning and dressing, doxcycline gel has been shown to increase the incidence of wound closure and reduce the incidence of infection. This product has been approved for human testing.

There is a critical need for effective, low-cost, easy-to-apply treatments to address military trauma/open wounds. U.S. soldiers returning from Iraq and Afghanistan with severe trauma/open wounds must remain in hospital care for 6–12 weeks until the wound is sufficiently healed. The U.S. military community is seeking cost-effective and easy to apply treatments that can speed the rate of healing to 1–2 weeks.

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Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW.

Bill Number: H.R. 2368—Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army.

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Lockheed Martin Corporation.

Address of Receiving Entity: 12506 Lake Underhill Road Orlando, FL 32855.

Description of Request: I have secured $3,000,000 in funding in H.R. 2368 in the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army account for the Center for Excellence for Military Operations in Urban Terrain and Cultural Training, MOUT–CT, project at Camp Blanding, FL.

The R&D Center of Excellence for Joint MOUT CT will be at the FL National Guard Camp Blanding's existing MOUT site and will perform research, development, and testing of new MOUT technologies, focusing on Cultural and Unconventional Environments. The R&D Center will integrate these new capabilities into existing MOUT capabilities and make these capabilities available to the services' MOUT training programs. Soldiers and Marines will validate these new capabilities at the Florida's National Guard MOUT facility (Camp Blanding) in a holistic, immersive, urban and unconventional environment (Live, Virtual and Constructive). Once tested and integrated, these new capabilities will be available for fielding to all Services and CONUS and OCONUS MOUT training centers. The R&D Center for MOUT CT will be the centralized integrator for new and existing MOUT technologies and will function as the operational link between R&D and training requirements.

The R&D Center for MOUT CT will improve the training that Soldiers and Marines (and